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### QUEEN RITA'S REIGN

Brilliant Carnival Attended by Thousands.

The Queen is crowned. Long live the Queen! The coronation was a brilliant ceremony. It was a spectacle such as San Francisco has rarely witnessed. Ten thousand persons had assembled in the immense court formed by the famous abbeys and castles of Ireland. The galleries overhead were alive with people. The architecture and coloring of the buildings formed a picturesque background to the brilliant scene. From castle battlements and ceiling the Flag of Erin and the Stars and Stripes waved. Hundreds of lights. illuminated the scene. In the center an immense platform was raised on which stood Queen Rita, surrounded by her maids of honor, her flower girls and pages, whilst on either side stood Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco and Prime Minister Casey. For brilliancy and splendor no scene in San Francisco ever approached the coronation of Queen

Queen Rita looked the queen. She was attired in a gorgeous coronation robe of purple velvet, lined with Ermine. Her dress was of white brocaded satin with gold trimmings. A necklace of rare diamonds added to the beauty and grace of her snow-white neck. Her raven locks were crowned with rubies, emeralds and diamonds. Her maids of honor were also beautifully attired. They were the Misses Agnes Kendrick, Tessie O'Connor, Kathryn Flynn, Philomena Cull, Helen Glenden, Mollie Moroney and Hannah Murphy. The flower grls were Arline and Arline and Mary Hurley, Grace Allen and Glyndon Taylor. The pages were Carmelita Smith and Peter Norton. The royal party was received enthusiastically and the following addresses was delivered by Mayor Schmitz:

"Prime Minister, I hold here the key that will open all the castles that you see around here of Ireland and also the hearts of the Irish people represented in the City of San Francisco.

It has been my pleasure to give the keys of this city to many people of reputation and prominence, but never before have I had the honor of presenting the keys to royalty. On behalf of the

citizens of San Francisco assembled here this evening, I formally present you, to be given to your Queen, the key of our beautiful city, and I hope that prosperity and happiness may come to the Queen as long as she shall reign, and to assure her that we here this evening wish her long life and happiness."

Hon. Michael Casey acted as Prime Minister and was stunningly attired in togs that would put Whitelaw Reid to shame. The Prime Minister advanced to the front of the platform and read the following proclamation:

To Our Dearly Beloved Subjects of the Irish Fair,

GREETING:

Whereas, we have this night ascended the throne of our ancestors, We hereby Ordain and Decree,

That all our loving subjects shall give themselves up to joy and pleasure and more especially to the spending of money and to the distribution of the same among our several royal castles, palaces and other edifices, which you see round about.

Wherefore, hear ye all this our royal ordinance and obey.

By order of the Queen.

Michael Casey,
Prime Minister.

After a program in honor of her majesty, the Queen rode round the Pavilion in an automobile and received a reception worthy of royalty. Meanwhile the maids of honor had retired to Cork Booth where Queen Rita held a reception.

Carnival then began and the Fair did a rushing business. The thousands enjoyed themselves heartily.

Long live Queen Rita I.

The Woodmen of the World did themselves proud last night. Nearly one thousand strong they entered the Pavilion last night headed by a large band and the Degree team of Golden Gate Camp, resplendent in green uniforms and caps, with bright axes on their shoulders. The camps represented were Golden Gate, San Francisco, Mission, Western Addition, North End, Richmond, Redwood, Golden West, Pathfinder and Haven.

A splendid exhibition drill was given by the Degree team of Golden Gate Camp, under the command of Capt. L. E. Healey. One pretty feature that gained applause was an arrangement of the axes borne by each to form the initials of the order.

#### The Counties in Gaelic.

(From a Correspondent.)

San Francisco, Cal., May 20, 1902. Dear Sir:

A little weekly, published in this town as an adjunct to a decayed printing office and a couple of decayed politicians, has a letter criticising the Gaelic names of the counties placed over the booths at the Irish Fair. The letter is signed "Irishman" but as the writer shows a sublime ignorance of Irish and English, we may take him as some kind of a homeless boy who has been taught, like the Swiss waiter, to jabber in all languages and to speak correctly in none. I do not think you or your readers care to give up much of your space to philological discussions, especially at this stage of the Fair. Therefore, I will not discuss the criticism at length but merely cite enough of authorities to show that this anonymous amadan knows just enough to be ignorant.

At present Ireland is divided into thirty-two counties. This division is recognized by all Irishmen whether they speak English or not. The Fair was organized on county lines. The sole question then was to find out how to express in Gaelic the names of the entities called counties.

The counties are not all of the same age neither have they been named on the same principle. Some bear the names of old tribal territories, others bear the names of towns, forts or monasteries situate within their boundaries. The Catholic dioceses are named after towns and churches, they are not coterminous with the counties. To deduce the name of a county from the name of a diocese argues a want of acquaintance with things Irish surprising even in an anonymous critic. It may be said with one or two problematical exceptions that the Gælic tribal or territorial names are not coterminous with the present counties. Hence to assert that Clare is known in Celtic Ireland (whatever that may be) as Thomond, is humbug. Thomond means North Munster and comprised parts of Limerick and Tipperary as well as Clare. Clare was well known to "Celtic Ireland." We find in the Annals of the Four Masters, Vol. 6, p. 1988, the statement: "Ni bhaoi aon chonntae hi cconnachtaibh cenmota conntae an chlair nama na batar uile no dronga dirimhe as gach conntae dibh daon rann agus daon leaith la hua ndomhnall don chur sin," etc., "There was not at this time any county in Connaught excepting the county of Clare only in which," etc. Moreover, the Four Masters, who it is to be supposed that our Gaelic critic will admit knew Irish, give us interesting information concerning the naming of the county. Speaking of O'Donnell's incursion to the south in 1600, they note an accident at a place called Clar Mor and they add, "As on cclar sin ainmnightear conntae an clair." "It is from this Clar that the county of Clare is named." Of course Thomond may be necessary to satisfy the taste of this anonymous Irishman, but what was good enough for the Four Masters is good enough for the Irish Fair.

Again, we are told that Kildare has no definite territorial name in Irish topography (O blessed word!) and that Tipperary is Ormond (God help the O'Fogarties). Here, however, on page 2264 of the same volume we find a whole raft of counties. The Four Masters are describing the preys made by Captain Tyrrell: "hi cconntae ceaithearlach, hi cconntae chille dara, hi cconntae ua ffailghe agus hi cconntae tioprat arann," that is "in the county of Carlow, in the county of Kildare, in the county of Offaly and in the county of Tipperary." The "Ua ffailghe" which is so extraordinary to our critic is quite natural in the Four Masters but then the Four Masters wrote Gaelic.

At page 1785, Vol. 5, under the year 1582, we find: "o chnamhchoill co conntae cille cainnigh," that is from Cnamhchoill to the county of Kilkenny—yet we are informed that this is an outlandish name—no doubt very outlandish to an "Irish scholar" who knows nothing about Irish.

These specimens will show the value of the critic's opinion and I may conclude by categorically denying practically all the assertions made in his letter.

1. Tyrconnell is not either traditionally, historically, topographically or linguistically the equivalent of Donegal, nor is Oriel of Louth nor Clare of Thomond. With one or two exceptions, the tribal names are not used by Irish speakers when referring to the counties.

2. Dailriada is not a Latin
It is the sole inappropriate trib
in the list and was used mean all name
make-shift when auth rity could not

be found for Antrim. It is however fairly accurate and being the only name that met this critic's requirements, it was just his luck to fall foul of it.

3. With the exception just mentioned and with the further exception that Wexford is called the conntae Riabhach perhaps oftener than it is named after Loch Garman, the name of the town of Wexford, all the names given are not only recognizable by Irish scholars but they are in ordinary daily use and they are provable from modern Irish literature from the sixteenth century downwards; indeed, many of them date much farther back.

# WATERFORD.

(By REV. JAMES McDonald)

I don't know when the County Waterford was founded or by whom. The "Irishman" who airs his little knowledge of Irish in the Star—of all places in the world—probably knows, or thinks he does. I shan't ask him, however, because Mr. Barry is from Cork, and there is an old saying in the city of Drisheens which taxes liberties with the name Barry. Waterford County was founded anyhow, and stands to this day as evidence of the fact. I am prepared to defend this statement against all comers—except Jeffries and Fitzsimmons.

Waterford, like all other parts of Ireland, has its share of physical beauty —and the "fatal gift." With its long coast line washed by the turbulent Atlantic, and the Comeragh and Knockmel-down\* Mountains walling on Tipperary on the north, it is a rugged land indeed. There is more scenery in Waterford from Bilberry Rock to "Tallow-bog-lane where the fleas ate the man" than in any other County in Ireland. In fact most of the inhabitants think that the County runs too much to scenery. Fraoch in its bloom is beautiful to the eye, and the wild mountains are dear to the heart of the poet, but the average man, even in Ireland is glad that the earth has a soft spot in its heart for green crops. And so though the sun sleeps peacefully on the bosom of Lough Connshinawn,\* and the waves roll mightily on Tranore Strand, and the Blackwater through wooded banks, goes ever singing to the sea, Waterford men would give a good part of all this natural grandeur for that commonplace barony across the Suir, where the soil is rich and deep and there is never any lack of milk and honey

Waterford has probably the best roads in Ireland, and any one of them you take will bring you to Lismore provided you have a conveyance. And Lismore is well worth a visit. Stand on the bridge under which the Blackwater flows by the historic castle of the Duke of Devonshire and you'll see the prettiest sight under the sun. But it must be under the sun, for Lismore is a land of cloud and when it rains there the very stones weep.

The city of Waterford is famous in

the annals of Ireland. It was a stronghold of the Danes when the fierce vikings ruled the Northern seas. In Reginald's Tower Strongboro wedded Eva. The Normans ruled there for many years and kept it loyal to the English power. When even the English Pale rebelled Waterford held aloof whereupon its coat of arms was emblazoned with the legend Urbs Intacta manet Waterfordia. It is not so loyal now, and has not been for many a year. "Neopher of the Sword" was a Waterford man. His spirit lives there still, and when the tocsin of war is sounded there will be no laggards in the old town by "the lonely sweet banks of the Suir."

Waterford is now a flourishing city. Its trade with England is large and ever on the increase. There is no need for its citizens to go to foreign lands for work—the native hog keeps them profitably busy at home. Ballybricken is the heart an dthe lungs of Waterford. The grunt of its pigs is heard over all the earth, and, honestly, I'd rather have a side of Waterford bacon than all the scranes that Father Yorke is making such a fuss about.

- \* Cnoc-maol-Donn.
- \* Counshinawn.

# Mayo.

(By WILLIAM F. EGAN.)

Sailing along the west coast of Ireland we come in sight of a beautiful green island of about four miles in length, which with its whitewashed thatched cottages, and cultivated fields gives the appearance of comfort, showing the thrifty class of people that inhabit it. This is the island of Irishbofin, off the coast of Mayo. To the north of this lies Inishturk, an island of somewhat similiar appearance, though smaller, and which with the former island stand as twin brothers, to guard the entrance of Killary Harbor.

On entering the harbor we are struck with the beautiful scenery. There stands the mountain of Muilrea, which rises to the height of about 2700 feet right at the water's edge. Farther along the harbor another mountain, Bengorum, rises by the shore and gives with it the idea of two giants standing side by side. A third mountain, Ben Creggan, is situated about a mile to the back of those.

Past the entrance of Killary Harbor the coast of Mayo presents a wild appearance. The high waves roll toward the rocky shore unchecked by island or breakwater, and with the freedom that the broad Atlantic Ocean gives them break on the cliffs with a roar that may be heard on a still night for several miles inland.

As we pass Elmagh Point, near the town of Louisbourgh, Clare Island comes in view. This is a high mountainous island, which presents to the Atlantic rocky cliffs that are considered some of the finest sea cliffs in all Ireland.

Here was the home of the famous (Continued on Page 4.)

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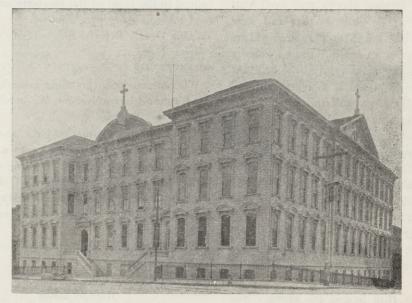
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Miss M. E. Ryan, a zealous Catholic Truth Society promoter, enjoyed every-

Miss Ella Barry received a lucky quarter which brought many more.

Miss Dunlea bowed and smiled.

Jim Fennell did not get a good view of the ceremonies.

Miss Louise Geaney and Miss Aitkin were observed on the promenade.

Miss Boyle of the Y. L. I. formed one of an interested group. Our reporter did not know the others.

Miss McInerny of Twentieth street was present.

S. S. Simon, the oil king, was seen in the crowd.

John Roach and his friend walked the rounds.

D. J. Oliver, Jr., of the Woodmen, had just remarked that he was not asked to take a chance. He was sorry he spoke.

J. S. Patterson, P. F. Gilroy, John Boyle and T. J. Barry, all Woodmen, were grouped in front of "All Ireland" Booth.

Dennis Shelly ably represented Port Costa with his towering figure of six feet, three inches.

Miss Hana O'Leary, the prettiest colleen in the Catholic Truth Society, is still doing a good business at the game of "Roster."

Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan of Benicia, are going to Cashel, County Tipperary on the first of June. The prospective travelers are prominent in Irish circles in the cities around the Straits. "All Ireland" wishes them a safe and happy journey.

James E. Mathews, a prominent eitizen of Eureka, Humboldt County, was amazed at the sight which greeted him.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Grant of the Grant Drug Company, visited the Fair Monday evening.

#### \* THROUGH THE EMERALD ISLE \*

MEATH.

Miss Flora Greene and Miss Nell Mulvey enjoyed their ride through Ireland in the automobile.

Fred Jensen is an ardent worker at this booth.

Miss Eunice Jones entertained the ladies with her piano playing. She is quite an artist.

Miss Lillian McGuire donated a magnificent sofa cushion to the booth. It is an elegant piece of work on which the young lady spent her spare moments.

Miss Katherine McGuire made a beautiful battenburg center-piece and donated it to the booth.

What would Meath Booth do without Dr. J. A. McGough, the witty spieler.

Miss C. McFeeley looked as if she enjoyed every inch of Ireland last evening.

Meath Booth had many visitors from the National Guard last evening; mostly veterans of the last war.

James Mulvey is a great help to Meath Booth with his old Irish game.

Meath Booth has many beautiful pieces of China which are to be sold off nightly on the wheel. They are worth seeing.

#### DUBLIN.

Dublin Booth still continues on its most successful career.

This booth though one of the smallest in the Fair, shows by its receipts that it deserves to be classed among the leaders, thanks to the untiring energy of Mrs. D. F. Keefe, Mrs. P. E. Kiley and Mrs. A. Burns and their able corps of assistants.

The ladies of this booth are making special preparations for the reception of the labor Unions, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. P. Kiley looked charming in a beautiful black grenadine over blue taffeta. Mrs. D. Keefe was admired in a black lace. Mrs. A. Burns looked swell in a black taffeta.

#### REFRESHMENT.

Mr. Jno. C. Kirkpatrick of the Palace Hotel has kindly donated a grand lunch for next Thursday. Mr. Kirkpatrick has been very kind in helping the Fair in many ways.

#### TYRONE NIGHT.

Tyrone night was celebrated with much enthusiasm last night. The booth was very tastefully decorated with ferns, calla lillies and roses, and the ladies wore their nattiest costumes. The guests were received by the president, Miss Lizzie Maguire and her corps of attractive assistants and the receipts of the Fair were considerably augmented by the business of the evening. During the progress of the evening the Iroquois Band under the direction of Mr. Allen, rendered several airs. Joaquin Miller, the poet of the Sierras made an interesting speech on Tyrone and the Irish people and recited some of his poems; Robert Downing, the celebrated actor, was happy in several selected recitations and Robert Morgan gave an exhibition of fancy skating.

Dr. Hugh Logan, the genial and handsome favorite of the Mission District, paid a visit to Tyrone Booth and made glad the hearts of the ladies. The Doctor has the Tyrone District in his pocket.

#### CAVAN.

John C. Stuart of Seattle, Wash., gave a very substantial donation to the Cavan Booth.

Rev. Father Raphael of St. Anthony's visited the Fair Monday evening and was very liberal with his money.

Mr. Peter Dunne visited Cavan Booth Monday evening. The girls didn't let him go until he parted with all his money.

Miss Marion Tracy's beautiful voice is often heard in Cavan Booth. Her rendering of the Irish ballads is something exquisite.

Father Lynch of St. James, was at Cavan Booth Monday night.

#### LIMERICK.

The ladies of Limerick are preparing for another "At Home" Friday the 23rd. All Limerick people are invited. The Treaty Stone will be on exhibition.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ryan, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. McCarthy, Mrs. Doyle, Mr. Riordan, Miss Lynch, Miss Felvey, Miss McCarthy, Mrs. P. O'Connell, Miss Elizabeth Reardon, Mrs. Mulvihill, Mrs. Michael Hurley and Many others dispense hospitality.

GALWAY.
Galway expects to have another big night Thursday. The ladies hope to repeat the success of her other night at home. Mrs. Martin Ward is one of the most active workers of the booth. Mrs. Nora Geraghty looked charming in white lawn. Tickets are selling very fast on the rosary and silver waterpitcher and everybody ought to take a chance on these handsome articles. Major and Mrs. Fahey visited the booth last evening.

#### KERRY.

Kerry Booth had a number of visitors. Father Cantillion paid a visit and found things looking as usual. The ladies were working hard as they always are, selling tickets.

#### KINGS.

'The airship is still interesting the visitors to the booth and there are three certificates of stock uncalled for.

J. T. Stanton is trying hard to make a lot of money for the booth on this valuable stock.

#### WATERFORD.

It was Waterford night and the ladies of that booth were busy and accordingly happy. Their friends came in such numbers that it was impossible to move around near the booth.

A program was prepared but was abandoned, and the ladies contented themselves with individually greeting their friends. A silverware set came in for much admiring comment—and many chances likewise. The officers of Waterford are Mrs. E. Albin, president; Mrs. D. Reardon, vice-president and treasurer; Miss E. d' Artenay,

secretary; Mrs. M. Gaul, Mrs. Loft, Mrs. P. Richards, Mrs. Augusta Pyne, Misses Annie and May Lynch, Mrs. Lohse, Mrs. Quigley, Miss Lillian Reardon, Miss Marie Weyand, Mrs. Bradley and Miss Ella Barry.

#### MAYO.

The Misses Cabrera are now assisting in the Mayo Booth and Willie Judge is feeling happy. Dr. Mary Holton the charming dice-shaker felt as happy as "Granua Waile" last evening—Mr. Doud came all the way from Monterey to visit his native Mayo. Among the visitors were Mrs. O'Callaghan, The Misses O'Callaghan, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Walsh of Santa Cruz.

#### ACADEMY.

What is Mrs. Flood's nod of warning each time she is forced to leave the booth to attend to matters down stairs? "Girls be sure and keep your eye on my grip!"

Miss Hattie Goggin and Miss Nellie Argenti are very faithful workers for the Academy.

Miss Theresa Harkins looked most charming last evening. She wore white organdie. Ornaments, pearls.

Miss Emily Doyle one of our most earnest and enthusiastic workers met with a severe accident last Sunday. Many friends sympathize with the lady.

#### KERRY.

Kerry Booth was thronged all evening with visitors who were charmed with the pretty things they saw ehere.

Rev. Father M. P. Ryon of St. Vincent de Paul visited. Hon. Mayor Schmitz and wife were among the visitors. Father Slattery of Napa, Father Nolan of Oakland, Father Cantillon of All Hallows, Father O'Sullivan were so fell pleased with Kerry that they promised to pay another visit soon.

Miss Hannah Murphy, one of the ladies in waiting to her gracious majestly looked lovely in her robes.

Mrs. Glavin was around as busy as ever.

Miss Kittie Busnahan looked lovely in white organdie. Miss Ella Lyons wore black grenadine.

Miss McElligot is of Kerry. Father Ryan of St. Vincent de Paul pronounces her a worthy daughter of the Kingdom.

#### THE ART GALLERY.

Several pen and ink and colored sketches have been added to the gallery. These are the work of Mr. Fluornoy Tubb, and are possessed of much merit. The gallery is increasing in popularity, many of the visitors informing their friends and relatives of the meritorious exhibition, so that when they come to the Fair the first place visited is the gallery.

# May Day Sayings of the Old Time. By "Speranza."

The marsh marigold is considered of great use in divination, and is called "the shrub of Beltaine." Garlands are made of it for the eastle and the doorposts to keep off the fairy power. Milk also is poured on the threshhold, though none would be given away; nor fire nor salt—these three things being

sacred. There are many superstitions concerning May-time. It is not safe to go on the water the first Monday in May. Hares found on May morning are supposed to be witches, and should be stoned.

If the fire goes out on May morning it is considered very unlucky, and it cannot be rekindled except by a lighted sod brought from the priest's house. And the ashes of this blessed turf are afterwards sprinkled on the floor and the threshold of the house. Neither fire, nor water, nor milk, nor salt, should be given away for love or money, and if a wayfarer is given a cup of milk he must drink it in the house, and salt must be mixed with it. Salt and water as a drink is at all times considered a potent charm against evil, if properly prepared by a fairy doctor and the magic words said over it.

One day in May a young lady lay down to rest at noontide on a fairy rath and fell asleep—a thing of great danger, for the fairies are strong in power during the May month, and are particularly on the watch for a mortal bride to carry away to the fairy mansions, for they love the sight of human beauty. So they spirited away the young sleeping girl, and only left a shadowy resemblance of her lying on the rath. Evening came on, and as the young girl had not returned her mother sent out messengers in all directions to look for her. At last she was found on the fairy rath, lying quite unconscious, like one dead.

They carried her home and laid her on her bed, but she neither spoke nor moved. So three days passed over. Then they thought it right to send for the fairy doctor. At once he said that she was fairy struck, and he gave them a salve made of herbs to anoint her hands and her brow every morning at sunrise, and every night when the moon rose, and salt was sprinkled on the threshold and round her bed where she lay sleeping. This was done for six days and six nights, and then the girl rose up suddenly and asked for food. They gave her to eat but asked no questions, only watched her that she should not quit the house. And then she fixed her eyes steadily on them and said:

"Why did you bring me back? I was so happy. I was in a beautiful palace where lovely ladies and young princes were dancing to the sweetest music, and they made me dance with them, and threw a mantle over me of rich gold, and now it is all gone, and you have brought me back, and I shall never, never see the beautiful palace more"

Then the mother wept and said:

"Oh, child, stay with me, for I have no other daughter, and if the fairies take you from me I shall die."

When the girl heard this she fell on her mother's neck and kissed her, and promised that she would never again go near the fairy rath while she lived, for the fairy doctor told her that if she ever lay down there again and slept, she would never return alive to her home any more.

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"Irish Sea Queen," Grace O'Malley, or Gramia Uile, whose castle stood on the rocks fronting the sea, and, built somewhat on the plan of the ancient fortresses.

Outside the bar of Clew Bay the waves roll high, and with a roar rise into spray against the rock-bound coast. Inside, the waters of the bay present a comparatively smooth surface, and rising from the blue water, hundreds of green islands appear, the white cottages of the fishermen standing out clear and well defined on the green background. This is the view that so enchanted an English tourist when he said that "One might suppose the islands just risen from the sea and newly beamed on by the skies, as if sea and land were their first parting, and the spirit of light and order beginning its work. Such is the infinite confusion of land and sea, sunshine and showers, and rainbow over all." Clew Bay, like Killary Harbor, has its natural guards, Clare Island, with its bold sea cliffs, outside the entrance, and the two mountains, Nephin and Croagh Patrick, standing on each side of the bay. Nephin is some distance in from the shores, to the left of the bay, and stands 2530 feet, while Crough Patrick is situated on the right, rising almost perpendicularly from the water's edge to the height of about 2400 feet.

The illustrious John McHale, Archbishop of Twam, came from near Nephin, while Croagh Patrick is famous from the tradition that in the 5th century, St. Patrick banished the serpents from that mountain and sent them into the waters of Clew Bay.

Some years ago most of those islands belonged to a family named Kelly. A Miss Kelly, one of that family, married Captain Yorke, and their son is Rev. Peter C. Yorke, of San Francisco.

On the bay shore to our right, at the foot of Croagh Patrick, we see the ivy-clad walls of Murrick Abby, one of the relics of the monks of early days. In the cloisters are heaps of human sculls and bones, bleached white by time. The walls, though apparently crumbling away with age, are still as firm as solid concrete. The lettering on the tombstones are raised or elevated instead of cut into them as in our day. Some of the dates on the tomb are as ancient as A. D. 1100.

Murrisk Abbey is situated right on the water's edge, and only the county road divides it from the foot of Croagh Patrick. Here at the foot of the mountain is a little roadside inn which looks almost as ancient as the abbey. Before ascending the mountain some oaten bread is procured, to ward off an attack of the "Fara Gurtha" as we near the summit. (This is a name given to a great hunger and faintness which is said to attack people climbing to the top of Croagh Patrick.)

We hire some mountain ponies and start on the winding trail up the steep mountain sides. Two-thirds of the way up the ground is so rocky and uneven we have to abandon our surefooted little horses and strike out on foot. In some parts we have to climb with the aid both of hands and feet.

Here we broached the oaten cake, and thought it was remarkably good, and as we quenched our thirst with a drink of clear water from a mountain stream, we thought that it was not altogether such a bad place after all. Some parts of the mountain were soft and boggy, and we would sometimes slip back about half the distance that we advanced, but we soon passed it and came to a part covered with sharp broken stones, which were mostly loose and hard to walk over. When we reached the top, however, we felt ourselves repaid for our toil and trouble.

The view was beantiful. To our left was the broad Atlantic. Beneath our feet the waters of Clew Bay dotted with its hundreds of green islands like emeralds set in sea. In front of us the mountain of Naphin. Outside the heads the large island of Achill, which is fifteen miles long, and contains fifty square miles of land. To our right we looked down on the town of Westport. Farther toward our front, Newport, with Castlebar in the distance. One of our party was anxious to see the race course at Castlebar, and turned his fieldglass in that direction, but after a long search, gave it up, with the remark, that he had often heard of the "races of Castlebar" and that the course should be a landmark plainly to be seen." He was somewhat surprised to hear that the famous races were held through the streets and square of the town, and could not understand it until it was explained that the "Races of Castlebar" was the expression used to describe how the French soldiers and Irish rebels routed the English Yeomanry and drove them out of the town, and that the victory always retained that name.

Having taken a bird's-eye view of the surrounding country, including Burrishoole, Erris, Belmullet, Blacksod Bay, Newport Bay, Lough Mask, Lough Corrib, Lough Carra, etc., we turned our attention to our immediate surroundings. Behind us stood a beautiful little church, built of stone, erected by the Rev. Father John Stephens, parish priest of Anghagower, whose parish extends to Croagh Patrick. Religious stations are performed by pious Catholics, on certain holydays in each year, on top of this mountain, and the poor people, exhausted after their long tramp up the steep trail, are often exposed to the

mountain storms, with no place to seek shelter. Father John Stephens, in order to procure a means of shelter for those deserving people, who came not only from his parish, but frequently from very distant parts, built a church there

We pass through the quay where the shipping wharves of Westport are situated, and here we stop and pay a visit to Mrs. McBride, widow of Captain McBride, and mother of the hero of the Irish Brigade of the Boer War, Major McBride.

After driving seven miles on the Ballintubber road we come to the celebrated old abbey, which is well preserved, and is still used as a place of worship. There is an arched stone roof over the sanctuary, but most of the part occupied by the congregation is uncovered. Every Sunday and holy day hundreds of people kneel bareheaded on the earthen floor, during the celebration of mass, heedless of wind and rain, and on inquiry as to how "they can stand the severe weather unsheltered, we were told that no one has ever been known to catch cold or get sick from this exposure. Outside the abbey walls we were directed to where a tree grows, with its top bent down to the ground and apparently taking root there. This remarkable tree is said to mark the spot where "Shann-a-Sougourth" is buried.

From Ballintubber we drove to Partrey, a few miles away, where the father and mother of Cardinal Gibbons the head of the Catholic church in America, were born and lived.

The road here winds round the shores of Lough Mack, and is seltered by tall overhanging trees, which are livened by the sweet songs of birds. Some few miles away we see the ruins of Castle Carra, on a rocky spur of land that juts out into the lake. The walls are well preserved, and the arched stone floors and roofs still stand as they did centuries before. The secret stairs and passages that were built in the thick walls still exist, so that the dungeons beneath the castle may be reached by those narrow passages without a person exposing himself to the view of those either inside or outside of the castle. In Ballinrohe we again meet with that beautiful combination of shading trees overhanging the dark deep water, and the waterlilies floating on its surface. Here is a large cascade.

Lough Mask Castle is about two miles away on the shore of the lake opposite at Toormakeady.

In the same grounds with the old castle stands a modern two-story dwelling of respectable appearance. This is the home of that well-known character Captain Boycott, whose name is now in every dictionary of the English language.

In the town of Cong is one of the best preserved abbeys in all Ireland. It was in this abbey that Rodrick O'Connor, the last King of Ireland, spent the last fifteen years of his life. The Cross of Cong was a large gold cross, "the most beautiful work of ancient Irish art," which stood in the main street of the town for several hun-

dred years, and is now exhibited in the museum of Royal Irish Academy, Dublin.

The town of Cong is built on almost solid rock, and is situated between Lough Mask and Lough Corrib. Several underground caverns exist in the neighborhood, one of them, named the Pigeon Hole, is well worth visiting. It is a mile outside the town and opens like the shaft of a mine. The mouth is hidden by foliage except on one side, where a gravel walk has been made, and stone steps, fifty-two in number, placed so that visitors may descend without danger. On looking down into the opening, timid people shrink back in fear, at the steepness and great depth, which, together with the sound of rushing water beneath is calculated to make even a courageous person hesitate before descending. Below is a rushing underground river, which appears to rise out of the ground and is lost in the darkness among the boulders far down in the cavern. This river is said to communicate with both Lough Mask and Lough Corrib.

The country residence of Lord Ardillan is situated near Cong. His demesne is surrounded by a solid cut stone wall of about twelve feet in height. The entrance is through an arched gateway, with massive iron gates.

The castle is a solid structure, built of cut stone, with its turrets and portholes. Part of the building is covered with creeping ivy, and other evergreens. Around the castle are beautiful flower gardens. Around those gardens and castle there is a cut stone wall with turrets, probably twenty feet in height. Outside this wall is a moat, or canal, filled with water from the lake. At the arched and turreted pate is a drawbridge which, when lifted, makes the place secure against attack of any foe.

In the village of Mayo is one of the many ruins of old abbeys. This was a famous seat of learning in early ages. "Prince Aldfred, afterwards King of the Northumbrian Saxons, was educated here in the 7th century, and there is in existence a poem in the ancient Irish language, in praise of Ireland, said to have been composed by him."

The word Mayo means the valley of the yew trees. Past Mayo we drive through Balla and Kiltemagh, and will stop for a moment at the little village of Strade, now changed to Irish Town. It was here that Michael Davitt was born and here that he called the first meeting of the Land League in 1880. The platform used at that meeting was erected over the ruins of the house that his father was evicted from years before. And it was at this meeting that he, with the sanction of the people, changed the name of the place from Strade to Irish Town.

The little parish church of Knock lies between here and Ballyhaunis. At this church lies a great pile of sticks and crutches, left here by people who were lame and crippled, and who came from all parts of the world to be cured.

I should not have passed Balla, without mentioning the name of Patrick

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Miss Margaret Flynn and Mr. John Kelly both of Clare Booth are seen together quite frequently of late.

Mr. John McCarthy declares that no man in the world except himself can make two horseshoes in one minute and thirty seconds. Will anyone dispute Mr. McCarthy's claim.

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"What do you think of the boys and girls in costume, Mr. Kelly."

Mr. Tim Kenney soothed the tender lips of many a pretty "colleen"with lemonade. Mr. Kenney is an adept at dispensing the cooling bever-

Doesn't Mike Hession look "cunning in knee breeches?

Miss Kitty Sullivan looked charming in lavendar silk, trimmed with white taffeta.

Miss Agnes O'Connell looked beautiful in red silk.

Miss Agnes Kendrick sold two thousand chances on the wedding cake last

Warning to ALL IRELAND Reporters:—Please write on both sides of the paper when sending in notes. It will give the city editor, who has the easiest job in the Fair, something to do. It will also make the type-setter's -who are not renowned for their select language-swear long and loud, and that's just what we want: Write on both sides of the paper by all means and do not write plainly or legibly. It will promote the gaiety of the nations.

Mr. Kirkpatrick of the Palace Hotel visited the Fair on Saturday and his first inquiry was for Cork Booth as he desired to patronize Mrs. Butters and the many ladies with her. They were all delighted to see Mr. Kirkpatrick. It was not the first time he was interviewed with regard to the Fair. Mrs. Butters did the honors of the occasion and Mr. Kirkpatrick spent a delightful time. He promised to come again.

Miss Matilda Ratto is one of the most hard-working of Miss Dutton's assistants in the office of "All Ireland."

Mrs. Butters has certainly a splendid staff or workers for the Cork Booth. Her niece, Miss Bertha McCarthy, in her own quiet and dignified manner has realized a large sum on her beautiful pink doll. Miss Hanna O'Leary is also assisting Mrs. Butters and she has fascinated all visitors to Cork.

Mr. William Yost evidently enjoys "All Ireland."

Mr. J. Butler has become quite a "spieler" since the Fair, and he has now taken charge of a Chuck-a Luck game at the Wicklow Booth.

Misses Grace and Lorreta Smith have been very succesful in their work for the Academy Booth.

Mr. Robert Emmett Coughan, a popular Irish leader from Petaluma attended the Fair last night.

Rev. Father Raphæl of St. Anthony's church was an interested visitor at the

Much credit is due Mr. Henry J. Power for his work during the Fair, he has given his services both night and day, and has done everything in his power toward the success of the affair.

Why does Miss O'Brien prefer to be called Maggie instead of Margarete?

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ryan of St. Peter's parish should be highly complimented for the work they have done for Limerick Booth, of which they are prominent members.

Last Sunday Mr. Ryan ran a 'Bus Ride to San Mateo, the proceeds of which will swell the treasury of Limerick, as a large crowd went and had a most enjoyable time.

Mr. William McCarthy accompanied by Miss Ineza Payne, payed a visit to the Fair last evening and enjoyed the many sights to be seen.

Mr. A. Swan of the jaunting car Booth became quite hoarse from spieling Saturday night, and was neard Sunday morning asking a prominent young lady of St. Peter's Choir for a remedy.

Mr. James M. Ross, a popular member of Washington Council, Y. M. I., visited his many friends last even-

John J. Greeley was a welcome vis-

The contest for shooting king, began in the shooting gallery last night.

Mr. Martin W. Fleming played guide on "Kerry" night for a party of his friends consisting of Miss Julia L. Sexton, of the Dudley Stone school, Mrs. J. F. Holter and her daughter, Mrs. M. Callahan, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Forrest, Mrs. Thomas Russell of Milpitas, who came fifty miles to visit the Fair on "Kerry" night, Professor and Mrs. Charles Kuss, Mrs. Rosina Kuss and Mrs. Daniel McHenry. The party made a good "Kerry woman" of Mrs. Kuss, a German lady, by pinning on her the badge of the Kerry Booth.

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Mr. Tim Donovan spiels loudly for Cork. Mrs. Donovan and her charming daughters lend much tone to the Cork Booth.

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Mr. Walsh of Killenaule and Mr. Hackett of Ballingarry were among the visitors to Tipperary Booth last even-

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Walsh of Santa Cruz made a special visit to San Francisco to see the Irish Fair. Mr. Walsh was formerly proprietor of the St. George Hotel where he was the prince of hosts. Both enjoyed themselves and delighted the ladies of the various booths they visited.

Miss Mary A. Jenkins who arrived from Galway, Ireland, a few days ago visited the Mayo and Galway booths last evening.

Miss Maggie Cullinan was seen taking chances on a blackthorn stick last evening. Joe Mellott would like to know if fair Margaret is contemplating anything serious.

Miss Delia Curran of Mayo Booth has charge of the Hearst silverware, located at the St. Lawrence Gate.

Misses Davie and Cullinan visited Waterford Booth.

Miss Jennie Mitchell was busily en-

Miss Carrie Ballinger was present. Miss Ethel Geazer was seen telling a

Mrs. Gillen and Miss Ethel Gillen were among the visitors.

Five gorgeously dressed ladies from the Flowery Kingdom were interested spectators of all that passed.

Geattan Phillips, one of the men that prints "All Ireland" came with the Woodmen.

Harry McCarthy from Borromean Council, Y. M. I., had lost somebody in the crowd. He was seen later with Misses Kittie and Annie Kehoe, and wore a happy smile.

Mrs. Lynch and Miss Gertrude Lynch watched the coronation.

Mrs. O'Sullivan, Miss O'Dwyer and Miss Eileen Donohue from St. Charles viewed the crowning of Queen Rita.

Mrs. Gilmore and Miss Dyer were looking for someone in the crowd.

Mrs. Danton was present.

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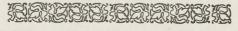
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Nally the enthusiastic nationalist who was arrested on suspicion of planning against the English government, and without a trial was thrown into jail, where from confinement and ill-treatment he took sick and died.

As space does not admit of my describing the rest of Mayo I must apologize to those that I have neglected, including Foxford, Swineford, Ballina with its beautiful scenery along the Moy, Crossmolina, Killala and Ballycastle.

Mr. Frank Coughlin of No. 1230 Hampshire found and returned Chance Book No. 63.

Miss Mary Allen of Louth Booth was tastefully dressed in white last

Miss Mae Himes looked charming in white silk with a Tuscan hat.

Mrs. T. Ahearn of St. Paul's parish has been a generous patroness of the Limerick Booth.

Rev. P. M. McHugh of St. Francis de Sales parish, Oakland, visited "All Ireland" office last evening.

Little Aileen McDermott looked pretty last evening in the Galway Booth in her new Connemara plaid.

Winnie Curran is still doing a good business selling chances on the Parnell stick.

The Galway lass from the County Mayo looked cute. Miss Shiels is a general favorite.

Mrs. Butters is certainly one of the most energetic and faithful workers for the Irish Fair. Every day at noon she keeps guard at the Restaurant and makes a large income out of the nickel-in-the-slot machine. No one—ladies excepted—passes out without "blowing in" anything from twenty-five cents to five dollars on the machine. It is the most popular institution at the Fair. And at night Mrs. Butters does the honors at Blarney Castle. Mrs. Butters must have kissed the Blarney Stone in her youth, she has such a fascinating way.

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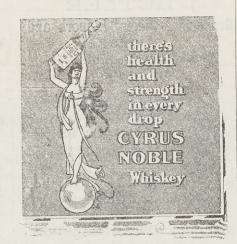
- 5. March, "Yankee Hustler," Mayor Schmitz.
- 6. Waltz, "Fly Away," Schmidt.
- 7. Schottische, "Alma," Schaicht.
- 8. Galop, "Golden Gate," R. Williams. Major Sime, 1st California, visited "All Ireland."

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